

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 801 - SB 820**

March 24, 2011

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Directs the Commissioner of the Department of Transportation (TDOT) to give preference to nonprofit entities over governmental entities when awarding grants for acquisition, preservation, or protection of civil war battlefield sites or related properties.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

**Assumptions:**

- The proposed legislation will not result in a significant administrative or fiscal impact to the state.
- According to TDOT, federal guidance concerning the use of enhancement funds encourages granting to governmental entities in order to secure use of the property for the purpose for which it was acquired for a period sufficient to recoup the federal investment and to ensure the public's right of access. If any problems occur and the grant is questioned, the state is required to repay the federal funds and seek reimbursement from the grantee. Due to the availability of resources, the potential for reimbursement from a governmental entity is greater than from a nonprofit.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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